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sickness, and old age. There is but faint hope of saving enough to buy one's freedom, and if the slave runs away he leaves, of course, all the premiums he has paid in the hands of his master." It should be noted, however, that Mr. Collier approaches all such questions from the standpoint of individualism and philosophic democracy. He is all for competition and the survival of the fittest. His classical Americanism—not, of course, at all spread-eagly, but pleasantly cosmopolitan—seems a little inadequate in view of our own actual problems. It is refreshing to read of the German army, not as a world menace, but as a national school of hygiene and character.

Germany and the Germans is not a fault-finding book, but on the contrary conveys an effect of warm appreciation. Not too cleverly epigrammatic to be often just and informing, it can be criticized chiefly as a little too long, a little too loose and sweeping in its treatment.

THE UNREST OF WOMEN. By EDWARD SANDFORD MARTIN. New York and London: D. Appleton & Co., 1913.

Nothing can be more charming than Mr. Martin's mingling of wit and wisdom in fluent talk, whether his subject be "The Luxury of Children," "The Reflections of a Beginning Husband," or, as in the present case, "The Unrest of Women." Mr. Martin is an optimist who believes in the essential reasonableness of things as they are. He counsels us to enjoy the honest satisfactions the gods send, and not to quarrel with the order of nature. Good sense and charity, expressing themselves in conduct and politics, are the cures, he believes, of most evils. It is natural that he should lay stress upon the thesis that marriage is woman's natural career, and it is characteristic of him that he succeeds in enforcing this thesis without offense. Recognizing the vital differences of sex, and perceiving their effects as influencing manifold interests, he yet refrains from the folly of talking as if men and women were of different clay or had different souls, and he deals amusingly with the extremes of the extremists.

Nevertheless, his word upon feminine unrest seems to come a little late in the day. Something is seriously, if temporarily, wrong with the present order of things, and if Votes for Women is not the cure something else perhaps is. Mr. Martin himself remarks that unrest is world-wide, and that its underlying cause seems to be economic. Now this is the very point on which we should like advice. We are contemplating, wisely or not, changes—political, economic, and social. We are asking ourselves whether time-honored laws, institutions, and even constitutions, may not be changed for the better. It is profitable to us to be gently warned away from extremes and to be reminded of the influences that after all keep humanity, on the whole, in the path of peace and progress; but we need practical advice more than quieting assurance. It is all very well to say that religion is the only force that can bring men's conflicting desires into harmony, but religion seems to be changing, like everything else. Mr. Martin's book smoothes over rather than solves the problems it raises.